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EMBASSY FOR CAPE TOWN

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1  
TAGS: PDEV, RH, UK  
SUBJECT: RHODESIA: INITIAL FCO REACTION TO SALISBURY  
ANNOUNCEMENT

1. ON RECEIVING UPI REPORT FROM SALISBURY ANNOUNCING  
AN INTERNAL AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPLES, EMBASSY OFFICER  
SPOKE BRIEFLY WITH JOHNNY GRAHAM. GRAHAM SAID FCO  
WOULD RESPOND TO QUESTIONS HERE BY SAYING THAT HMG'S  
POSITION REMAINS THAT THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS ARE  
THE STANDARD AGAINST WHICH ANY SETTLEMENT MUST BE  
JUDGED. A SETTLEMENT MUST INVOLVE A GENUINE TRANSFER  
OF POWER AND BE INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTABLE. THE  
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SALISBURY ANNOUNCEMENT, HOWEVER, ONLY ADDRESSES CERTAIN  
GENERAL PRINCIPLES AND DOES NOT DISCUSS THE DETAILS  
OF A SETTLEMENT.

2. ASKED WHETHER FCO ANTICIPATED DEMANDS IN THE UN  
FOR ACTION AGAINST RHODESIA, GRAHAM SAID HE COULD NOT  
BE CERTAIN BUT THAT THE POSSIBILITY IS ANOTHER ARGU-

MENT IN FAVOR OF A WAIT-AND-SEE POSITION. GRAHAM ALSO SPECULATED THAT THE ANNOUNCEMENT WILL SET BACK ANY EFFORT TO ENGAGE THE PATRIOTIC FRONT SOON IN ANOTHER ROUND OF TALKS.

3. GRAHAM ALSO MENTIONED THAT HE HAD SEEN GEORGE NYANDORO FEBRUARY 14. NYANDORO DESCRIBED MUZOREWA'S PLAN FOR PARLIAMENTARY REPRESENTATION AS A COMPLICATED THREE-TIER SYSTEM OF VOTING: A) 72 MEMBERS ELECTED BY COMMON ROLL FROM 72 NATIONAL CONSTITUENCIES; B) EIGHT WHITE MEMBERS ELECTED BY COMMON ROLL FROM EIGHT NATIONAL CONSTITUENCIES; C) TWENTY WHITE MEMBERS ELECTED BY QUALIFIED ROLL FROM TWENTY NATIONAL CONSTITUENCIES.

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